

Greene-Sumter, Alabama Renewal Community

ID	Renewal Community Name	OLAS#	Population	Sq Miles	Poverty	Unemployment
83	Greene-Sumter	AL0008	20,955	1408	42%	11%

Since 1994, Greene and Sumter Counties have enjoyed an Enterprise Community designation from USDA. The RC is part of the Black Belt region, one of the poorest rural areas of the United States with an agrarian heritage that still feels the lingering effects of slavery and sharecropping. The Greene-Sumter RC has a Course of Action focusing on the following strategies:

Improving Local Services

Greene-Sumter has been active in providing job skills training, mental health services, workforce development, youth programs, transportation for work and school, day care, supportive services, business loans, improved infrastructure and more.

Reducing Crime

Greene-Sumter plans to assist and support law enforcement agencies and community based safety associations in protecting residents in the RC deterring the increase in crime, drugs and gangs.

Soliciting In-Kind Donations

The following businesses have pledged to contribute a portion of their tax incentives back to the RC CoRA for operations and programs: South Fresh Catfish Processors, Mannington Wood Flooring, United Roofing, Eastern Red Cedar and more.

Involving Community Partners in Economic Development

The Greene-Sumter Renewal Community includes the following partners:

Sumter County Industrial Development Board
Greene County Industrial Development Board
Greene County Chamber of Commerce
Greene County Hospital and Nursing Home
West Alabama Regional Skills Consortium
Alabama Cooperative Extension System
West Alabama Mental Health